EXHIBIT 1

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- 1 Do you see all that?
- 2 A. I do.
- 3 Q. Do you remember getting an email from Mr. Colborn
- in reference to what he says here, about Judge
- 5 Pamela Pepper?
- 6 A. My recollection isn't great on it, but I believe
- 7 it was something regarding, like, her history on a
- 8 website or something. Did you get the email. I
- 9 don't remember exactly what it was.
- 10 Q. Are you willing to run a search for the name
- 11 Pamela Pepper and send us any email you have about
- 12 her?
- 13 A. Possibly.
- 14 Q. And Mr. Colborn says, I will forward what Mike
- 15 sent me about her.
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes, m-hm.
- 18 O. And so he's forwarding you a communication that he
- 19 had with -- Mike Griesbach -- I'll withdraw that.
- 20 My first question is Mike is a reference
- 21 to Mike Griesbach; correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- MS. BARKER: Object as to foundation.
- 24 Q. So he was forwarding you a privileged
- communication he had with his attorney,

- 1 Mr. Griesbach; correct?
- 2 MS. BARKER: Same objection.
- 3 A. I don't know, I don't know how privilege works.
- 4 I'm sorry. I don't know if he was just sharing
- 5 something he didn't care if it was privileged or
- 6 not or if all attorney-client is privileged for
- anything. I don't know. But, yes, he forwarded
- 8 an email from Mike Griesbach.
- 9 Q. Okay. And he said, just between you and me, tho,
- 10 and what was your understanding of why he said
- 11 that?
- 12 MS. BARKER: Object as to foundation.
- 13 A. Not to share with anyone.
- 14 Q. Did he ever tell you to not tell Mr. Griesbach
- 15 that he was sharing communications with you?
- 16 A. Maybe, maybe. I don't, I can't think of anything
- offhand but maybe. He could have said, don't
- 18 share this with Mike. I, I don't know.
- 19 (Exhibit 2028 marked for identification)
- 20 Q. The court reporter just handed you Exhibit 2028.
- 21 Again, these are text messages between you and
- 22 Mr. Colborn; correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And the exhibit begins at Bates No. 8990, but I'll
- direct you to three pages in, 8992.

- 1 how much they support our decision to do this, and
- the pastor told me we will all be in his prayers.
- 3 Thought you would like to know that, Brenda.
- 4 Did I read that correctly?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And you say, Aww. Thanks so much. That is
- 7 wonderful to hear. And he says, You betcha. Nice
- 8 to have the support of a church, and people seem
- 9 to be happy about what we are doing.
- 10 Did I read that correctly?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 O. And so, like, he had the support of his law
- enforcement community, Mr. Colborn had the support
- of his church community; correct?
- 15 A. Yes, his church, yes.
- 16 Q. Oh, you can hang on to that actually --
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. -- for just one more minute.
- 19 I'll take that back. I'm going to hand
- 20 you another exhibit.
- 21 (Exhibit 2051 marked for identification)
- 22 Q. So the court reporter has handed you Exhibit 2051.
- These are texts, and really they're, well, they're
- 24 texts with some photographs from Mr. Colborn to
- 25 you; correct?

- 1 A. Correct. Yes.
- 2 Q. And at the top on Bates No. 5126 he says, This is
- 3 what I have for you, and he sends you a picture of
- a box with some files in it, it looks like; is
- 5 that correct?
- 6 A. Correct, yes.
- 7 Q. And this was coming in June of 2018; right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And what was in that box?
- 10 A. That was the file that he had previously given to
- 11 a prior attorney that he gave to me. It was the
- 12 CDs that we were talking about earlier, the 27,
- 13 his personnel report. Oh, his personnel -- It was
- 14 everything pretty much from Manitowoc County
- 15 regarding his personnel report, complaints he had
- 16 received, or I don't want to say complaints,
- 17 emails he had received that we talked about
- 18 earlier. What else was in there. It was
- 19 everything related to him personally that he had
- given to a prior attorney that he had hoped would
- 21 take his case.
- 22 Q. Do you know that attorney's name?
- 23 A. No, no.
- 24 O. And he or she decided not to take Mr. Colborn's
- 25 case?

- 1 A. I don't know if, I don't know the situation,
- 2 honestly. I don't know what it was.
- 3 Q. He never talked to you about why that attorney
- 4 said no?
- 5 A. Maybe. I don't remember if he, what he said about
- it. I just knew that she wasn't taking it,
- 7 whoever it was. Might have been a prior -- I
- 8 thought she worked for, he knew her through his
- job somehow, I thought.
- 10 Q. Have you given us the documents in that box in the
- 11 picture?
- 12 A. That's the ones we talked about earlier with all
- of the complaints and the personnel reports.
- 14 Q. So all the ten?
- 15 A. Yes, yes.
- 16 O. It's a pretty small box. Does seeing it again
- 17 make you more willing to give us everything?
- 18 A. I think everything in it you're either going to
- 19 either have or it's the ten complaints because
- 20 this is what was given to his lawyers. I don't
- 21 have this box anymore, so it's, it's -- I did give
- 22 you the personnel report, I believe.
- 23 Q. So you don't have this box anymore?
- 24 A. No, no. Nor, nor this.
- 25 Q. Okay. But you think you gave us everything

- that -- I mean did you make a copy of everything
- that was in the box before you gave it to his
- 3 lawyers?
- 4 A. I scanned a lot of it, and I also had the wave
- files of the CDs with the calls.
- 6 Q. Okay. And so you think you have given all of that
- 7 to us?
- 8 A. Everything that I copied or put on-line, yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. On the next page, there's another photo of
- 10 a file in, like, a plastic folder.
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 A. Yes. Yes.
- 13 Q. And what was that?
- 14 A. I just want to see what this one is. Since
- 15 release of Making a Murderer -- Oh, okay. This
- is, these are formal incident reports, the top one
- 17 anyway, incident reports that came in, whether it
- 18 be, like, the bomb threats that they received. He
- 19 had a couple interactions with people threatening
- 20 him. So there were more of the incident reports.
- 21 I know there was a lot of emails between one or
- 22 two parties that just went back and forth, back
- and forth, and I believe there were several copies
- of the same one that seemed like a big stack
- 25 because I remember kind of sorting it. The CD is

- 1 A. Right.
- 2 Q. Which phone call again? Say it again for me.
- 3 A. Sure. That '95, '96 phone call that Andy received
- 4 and transferred --
- 5 Q. Got it.
- 6 A. -- to a detective.
- 7 O. Yeah.
- 8 A. Mike was under the impression, I believe, somehow,
- 9 some way that Kusche actually received a call, and
- 10 I caught that in the Complaint, and I said, I
- 11 don't think that's, I never heard that, where is
- 12 that from.
- 13 Q. Mike was under that impression because Kusche
- 14 might have told him that?
- 15 A. No. I don't know how Mike was under the
- 16 impression. I have no idea.
- 17 Q. Just a mistake?
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 O. We'll move on.
- 20 I'm going to hand you two exhibits at
- 21 once. This will be 2063, this will be 2064.
- 22 (Exhibits 2063 and 2064 marked for
- 23 identification)
- 24 A. All right.
- 25 Q. If you could look at 2063 first. This is an email

- 1 Mr. Colborn sent to you on December 7th, 2018.
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And it forwards an email he got from his attorney,
- 4 Mr. Griesbach; correct?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And it's a partial draft of the Complaint about a
- 7 week before it was filed; correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And this is, we've seen text messages between you
- 10 and Mr. Colborn about your edits, but this is the
- 11 email where he actually sent the thing to you;
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. That's what it looks like, yes.
- 14 Q. And then Exhibit 2064 is a similar email where
- 15 Mr. Griesbach had sent a second section of the
- 16 Complaint, draft Complaint, to Mr. Colborn, and
- 17 then Mr. Colborn sent it to you; correct?
- 18 A. Right. The second part, correct.
- 19 Q. Did you have any concerns as all this was
- 20 happening about Mr. Colborn preserving
- 21 attorney-client privilege?
- 22 A. No, because I wasn't aware of any of that. I mean
- I even was working with Mike researching in the
- 24 book and I felt like things that a legal assistant
- would almost do. So, no, I didn't even know that,

- to be honest, that that would be an issue, and I
- 2 didn't even think about it since, because Mike did
- know I was checking it. I, I didn't remember that
- 4 Andy sent it to me first.
- 5 Q. So at some point Mr. Griesbach found out. He
- 6 maybe didn't know on December 7th; correct?
- 7 A. Very soon after.
- 8 Q. Okay. Let's mark this as Exhibit 2065, and I'll
- give you just a minute or two to, to review 2065.
- 10 And I'm going to be pointing you to -- Well, I'll
- give you a chance to review it, but then I just
- 12 want to confirm that these are text messages
- 13 between you and Andy Colborn talking about edits
- 14 to the Complaint.
- 15 (Exhibit 2065 marked for identification)
- 16 A. All right. Let me take a look here. How far did
- 17 you want me to read? I'm sorry.
- 18 O. Well, let me ask you this. This was all sent on
- December 16th, 2018; correct, December 16th, 2018?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. And this is just a couple days before the
- 22 Complaint was to be filed; correct?
- 23 A. I believe one day, actually, one, one or two,
- 24 yes.
- 25 Q. And you're in this text message chain going back

- between you and Mr. Colborn; correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And I'll direct you to page Bates No. 7072.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. We don't have to read this. This is a big, long
- 6 text.
- 7 A. I know. Who is this? Him to me? Me to him.
- 8 Q. You to Mr. Colborn. Let me read the first couple
- 9 lines.
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. And just to set the stage, this is January 6,
- 12 2019, right after the Complaint was filed;
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. So you say, Mike is on the other line with him
- 16 now. He called while I was chatting with him.
- 17 I'm glad he did because of the attorney work
- 18 product, and I'm not, quote, officially working,
- 19 quote, for Mike. I'll have to ask him how we get
- 20 my stuff to be privileged. Anyway, period. And
- 21 then you go on to talk about this character named
- 22 Rocky Lapomarto. But my question is, it seems
- 23 maybe to have occurred to you at this point there
- 24 are some privilege and attorney work product
- 25 issues?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you were expressing, I don't know if it's
- 3 concern or maybe curiosity about that?
- 4 A. Right after -- Yes, yes, that's what it appears
- 5 definitely.
- 6 Q. And did you ever ask Mike, quote, how we get my
- 7 stuff to be privileged, as you say there in the
- 8 text message?
- 9 A. My recollection, I don't know if this, when this
- 10 was, but, yes, I remember sharing information,
- 11 again, up until April and the group took over,
- 12 just saying how I don't want my things to be
- 13 public, okay. I wasn't, I don't think I
- 14 necessarily, necessarily was thinking anything
- 15 about his stuff not being privileged by including
- 16 me. I was more worried about my stuff becoming
- 17 public that I was sharing with him.
- 18 O. Okay. And did you ever get an answer from
- 19 Mr. Griesbach about that?
- 20 A. If I recall correctly, I believe he said, just put
- 21 attorney-client privilege on it or something
- 22 because I was not officially in a paid capacity
- 23 working for him, more of a -- I don't know what I
- 24 was.
- 25 O. A volunteer?

- 1 A. I wasn't officially working for him, but I was
- 2 certainly helping him.
- 3 Q. Got it.
- 4 MS. WALKER: Let's mark this as 2069.
- 5 (Exhibit 2069 marked for identification)
- 6 Q. 2069 is another text exchange between you and
- 7 Mr. Colborn; correct?
- 8 A. Yes, m-hm.
- 9 Q. And this is now a couple months after the lawsuit
- 10 was filed in February 8th of 2019.
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 A. February, yes, I do.
- 13 Q. And you say to Mr. Colborn, Hey, are you around?
- 14 He says, Yeah, I'm at home. What's up? And you
- 15 say, Oh, no biggy. Mike left me a message about
- 16 the meeting and sounds like I can't help at all.
- 17 Do you see that?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And you say, I don't want to be deposed, but I
- 20 said if they wanted me to sign something that I
- 21 can help with no pay, I'd be happy to. But they
- 22 don't think it's a good idea. It's all good. Was
- just going to fill you in if Mike hadn't yet.
- 24 Do you see that?
- 25 A. Yes.

1 And tell me about the message he left or the 0. 2 conversation you had about why you were no longer able to help with the case. 3 4 As you can probably tell, prior to the Α. 5 Complaint being filed, I was a big part of helping the research aspect of it, so I think that was 6 7 always kind of the plan. I wasn't doing much with transition at that point, if, hardly anything. 8 9 when April and the group came on and took it on, they obviously have their own resources. 10 11 an employee of Mike's. Officially I couldn't 12 really bring any value to them. I had hoped I could because I wanted to be part of that. 13 it, it just wasn't, I wasn't able to do that. 14 15 for obvious reasons, they have their own staff. 16 I'm not an attorney, so he was just letting me know that I really couldn't know anything, be a 17 part of anything, see anything, so it was kind of 18 19 I think where the big cutoff was where we, I handed it off and had to step back quite a bit. 20 21 Mr. Colborn seems fairly disappointed by that. Q. He 22 says in the next text message, Mike hadn't 23 mentioned that. I was really hoping you could be involved, although I certainly see why they 24

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wouldn't want to be deposed. Can you still give

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- info to Debra and will you still be willing to?
- 2 Do you see that?
- 3 A. I do, yes.
- 4 Q. And, in fact, what happened is that Mr. Colborn
- 5 did continue to keep you in the loop on this
- 6 lawsuit off and on; correct?
- 7 MS. BARKER: Object. Foundation.
- 8 A. I think -- Not to the same degree had I stayed on
- 9 with him, obviously. But, yeah, I mean he, he
- 10 told me periodic things so, sure, sure, more as a
- 11 friend than a resource person.
- 12 O. The info he references giving to Debra --
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. -- what was that, and did you give it to her?
- 15 A. I did, and I, I did include those in discovery. I
- 16 was handing off all of my research documents that
- I felt would be applicable in the Complaint that I
- 18 had used to check the Complaint, so I was
- 19 basically just getting her up to speed on the
- 20 background of the case, their investigator.
- 21 Q. Did you have a conversation with her --
- 22 A. I did, yes.
- 23 Q. -- to orient --
- 24 A. I met with her.
- 25 Q. You did.

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. Did you ever draft any exhibit to any
- 3 Complaint like a comparison, a list of defamatory
- 4 statements or a comparison of trial testimony to
- 5 what was in Making a Murderer?
- 6 A. In the first Complaint, yes, I did. The second
- 7 Complaint, unless they used something from the
- 8 first Complaint, I had nothing to do with the
- 9 second when, again, I don't know what you call it,
- 10 the Amended Complaint, when April and George came
- 11 on. The first one, yes. The first one, yes, I
- 12 know I had an exhibit in there.
- 13 MS. WALKER: Mark this as Exhibit 2070.
- 14 (Exhibit 2070 marked for identification)
- 15 Q. So this is an email string with a lot of signature
- 16 block.
- 17 A. Right.
- 18 O. Stuff we can ignore at the end, but if you flip
- 19 backwards from that, the first real email at the
- 20 bottom of the chain is from Deb Bursik to you
- 21 asking if there's a piece of paper regarding the
- 22 dispatch call Mr. Colborn received.
- Do you see that on January 16th, 2019?
- 24 A. What page are you on?
- 25 O. I'm on the 2829.

- 1 A. Right. Right.
- 2 Q. All right.
- 3 A. And it was on-line, which -- Okay. I just got it
- 4 maybe before it became public, I guess, right.
- 5 (Exhibit <u>2081</u> marked for identification)
- 6 Q. So now you're looking at a text exchange marked
- 7 **2081.** Correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And this is about a mediation that occurred in the
- 10 case. Do you see that in the top email, top text?
- 11 A. Right, m-hm. Yes.
- 12 O. And Mr. Colborn proceeds to tell you about what
- happened at the mediation. He says, Netflix and
- 14 the twins refuse to settle so now the case is back
- in front of the judge.
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And then a sentence or two later he says, The
- 19 twins, and is this a reference to Ricciardi and
- 20 Demos?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. The twins feel that they were very fair and honest
- 23 with their documentary and are appalled at my
- 24 frivolous suit, which is trying to tarnish their
- 25 sterling reputation. Netflix says all they did

- was distribute it, not our fault.
- Did I read that correctly?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And so you understood that Mr. Colborn was telling
- 5 you what happened at the mediation; correct?
- 6 MR. KURTZ: Objection. Document speaks
- 7 for itself.
- 8 MS. BAKER: Foundation.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 MS. WALKER: Did you get the answer?
- 11 (Answer read)
- 12 O. Did you have any idea that Mr. Colborn should not
- 13 be sharing with you what happened at a
- 14 confidential mediation?
- 15 MR. KURTZ: Objection. Calls for a
- 16 legal, speculation and conclusion.
- 17 MS. BARKER: Join.
- 18 A. I, I don't know. I think I just looked at it like
- 19 it was a friend sharing information that he
- 20 trusted. I don't know, because I still thought
- 21 this one, I don't know, I don't know, which ones
- 22 were public or became recorded, and I felt like he
- 23 did give me information maybe before it became
- 24 public, but it still became public, but this maybe
- 25 wasn't. I don't, I don't remember.

- 1 Q. So if you go to the next page --
- 2 A. Sure.
- 3 O. -- there's another text from Mr. Colborn. He
- 4 says, They, I think he means the filmmakers, were
- 5 there! I told you what they said in the text I
- 6 sent this morning! And what Netflix said.
- 7 Absolutely no effort to mediate at all.
- 8 Did I read that correctly?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And you said, I thought maybe it was just their
- 11 lawyers talking. Damn, we should have been
- 12 filming that. Or at least she'll know I'm walking
- 13 out.
- 14 Did I read that correctly?
- 15 A. You did, but I don't think that's what I meant to
- 16 type. I don't know what that means.
- 17 Q. Yeah. But it sounds like you wished you could
- 18 have been at the mediation to film the defendants
- in this case; is that right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And why did you want to film them?
- 22 A. I just wanted to be there probably more than
- anything. I said that from the beginning, I'd
- love to be able to be part of that.
- 25 Q. And on the next page, 9139 --

- 1 A. Okay.
- 2 Q. -- a couple texts down, you say, We could have
- 3 filmed them walking out of the building.
- 4 Do you see that?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Out of the hearing, I mean; correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And then in the next text from Colborn, he
- 9 clarifies that it was done by Zoom.
- 10 Do you see that?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And that, quote, They are all, they are playing
- 13 COVID to the hilt.
- 14 Do you see that?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Did you encourage Mr. Colborn to file this
- 17 lawsuit?
- 18 MR. KURTZ: Objection. Vague.
- 20 that question. Could you read it back.
- 21 (Question read)
- 22 A. I encouraged him, told him I would support him
- 23 regardless, whether he did or not. He wasn't sure
- 24 if he wanted to. It took him a long time to make
- 25 that decision until he had to. I told him I would

- 1 help him any way possible. If I, if I could
- 2 provide information that would help his case,
- yes.
- 4 Q. Did you ever talk to Shawn Rech about
- 5 Mr. Colborn's decision to file a lawsuit?
- 6 A. Yes, I believe I did, yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. Was Shawn Rech supportive?
- 8 A. I remember two situations, and they vary. So I
- 9 don't know what time frame they were, but one was
- 10 once he -- I don't think he wanted him to simply
- 11 because he had experience with that, okay. So
- 12 that was one time I remember that he knew how, how
- lawsuits worked and that he knew what would happen
- 14 going through everything. On the other hand, Andy
- 15 was, really wanted to do that, so I remember a
- 16 conversation about potentially one of Shawn's
- 17 partners, not partners, not acquaintances, what is
- 18 he, I don't know, friends that was an attorney
- 19 that he worked with on prior projects, that he
- 20 asked him to, he put him in touch with him, and
- 21 nothing became of it because he's not that type of
- lawyer is my understanding.
- 23 Q. Did you ever talk to Mr. Rech about how
- 24 Mr. Colborn's lawsuit might impact Convicting a
- 25 Murderer?

- 1 A. I'm sure it was a discussion that we would have to
 2 include it to some degree, but we weren't able to
 3 film any of it anyway, so it didn't matter. Once
 4 he got the lawyers, it became kind of a completely
- 5 moot point. Would I have loved to follow through
- this whole process and filmed it, yes, because of
- 7 how I felt about everything. I think Shawn was
- 8 probably smarter knowing that that would never be
- 9 the case.
- 10 Q. Do you know if Mr. Rech felt like the lawsuit in
- 11 any way has stolen the thunder of Convicting a
- 12 Murderer and that it'll be old news in some sense
- 13 by the time it's released?
- 14 A. I don't know that the lawsuit would have affected
- 15 that he felt our film would be any less valuable.
- 16 Q. I'm just asking; I don't know.
- 17 A. Yeah, okay, okay. As far as old news, I mean the
- 18 longer you get from anything, sure, I mean things
- 19 take time. Do we wish we could have gotten it out
- 20 two years ago, absolutely.
- 21 Q. Do you think this lawsuit is keeping it relevant
- 22 so that people will still be paying attention to
- 23 Convicting a Murderer when it's released?
- 24 A. I don't think very many people are paying
- 25 attention to this lawsuit so, no.

- 1 Q. Are you concerned that because of Convicting a
- Murderer, Mr. Colborn hasn't been able to speak
- 3 out in his defense?
- 4 A. Am I concerned?
- 5 Q. That he's had to keep his lips sealed and wait for
- 6 Convicting a Murderer to be released?
- 7 MR. KURTZ: Objection. Argumentative.
- 8 Ambiguous.
- 9 A. I think he's not speaking --
- MS. BARKER: Object.
- 11 A. -- because he has a lawsuit pending and he's not
- 12 able to. I don't think it had -- No, I -- No.
- 13 Q. But pre-lawsuit it was the Non-Disclosure
- 14 Agreements that kept him from speaking out;
- 15 correct?
- 16 MS. BARKER: Object as to foundation.
- 17 Q. Pre the lawsuit?
- 18 A. I didn't want him to get attacked publicly. I
- 19 thought it was futile for him to do any speaking
- 20 engagements. He wanted to do people calling in,
- 21 and I just thought that was a really bad idea. I
- 22 had witnessed that before. That was a big part of
- 23 it. I was concerned for him.
- 24 Q. And the agreements he voluntarily signed were also
- 25 a part of it; correct?

- 1 MS. BARKER: Object as to foundation.
- 2 A. Right, right. He wasn't able to. I mean he spoke
- 3 that clearly we would want something to be
- 4 exclusive in a film. So, yeah, I think that was
- 5 part of it.
- 6 MS. WALKER: So let's go off the record
- for five minutes. I think that's all my
- 8 questions, but I want to double check.
- 9 MS. BARKER: Well, I'll have some.
- 10 (Break taken)
- 11 MS. WALKER: Ms. Schuler, I have no
- 12 further questions. Thank you for being a trooper
- and for hanging with us today. The other
- 14 attorneys may have some questions.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 16 EXAMINATION
- 17 BY MS. BARKER:
- 18 Q. Ms. Schuler, this is April Barker. I have some
- 19 questions.
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 Q. You said that you watched all of the Making a
- 22 Murderer episodes several times; correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 Q. Making a Murderer included statements by
- 25 Attorneys Buting and Strang that were not from the

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In regard to 17 above, the question by ms Walker was taken out of context. She did not reference that my text, "we should shoot all liberal law professors" was in response to an altached article titled something to the effect of "UC Professor thinks all cops should be killed."

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